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Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
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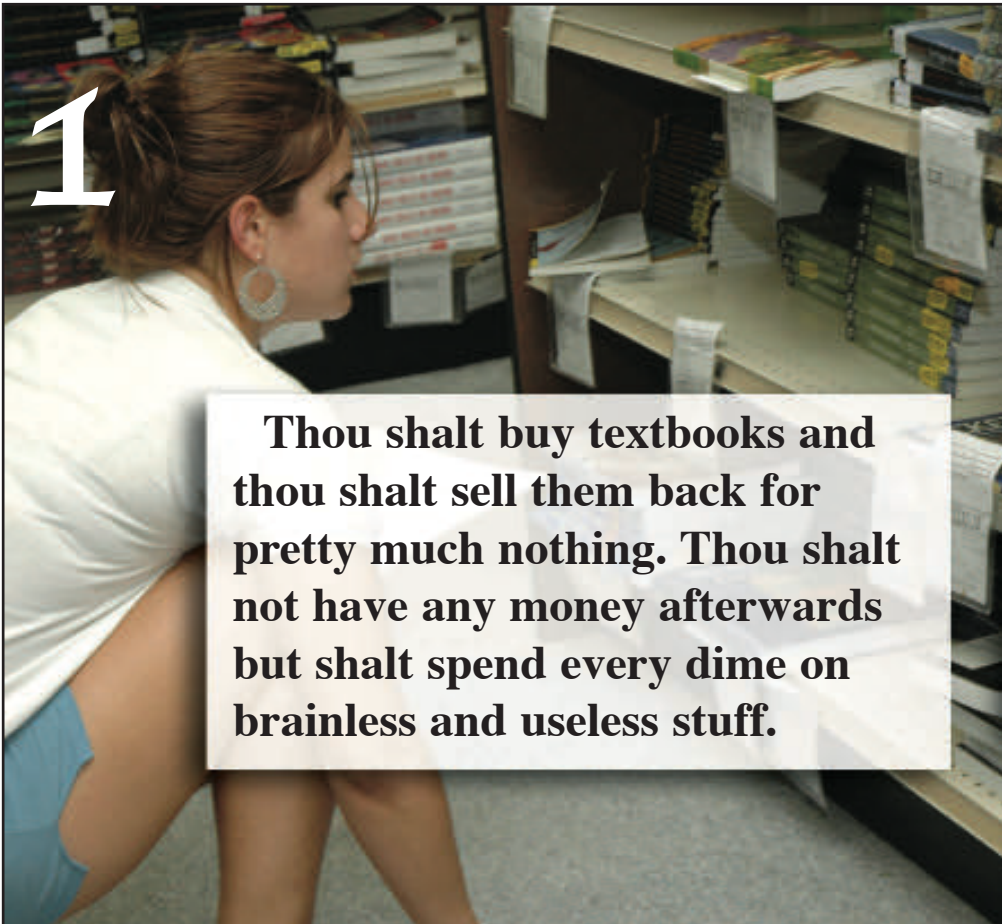
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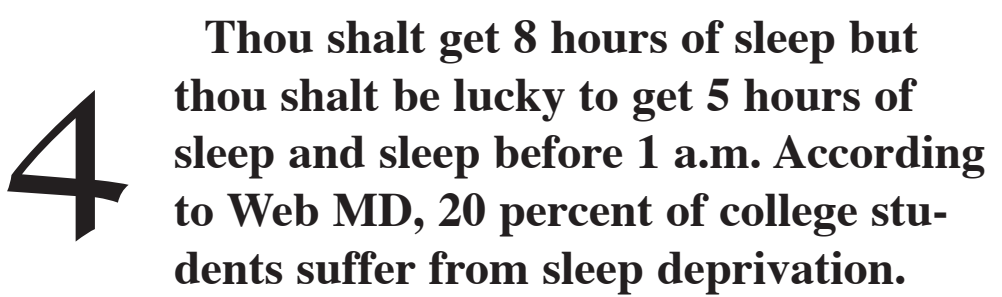
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# The Ten Commandments to College Survival



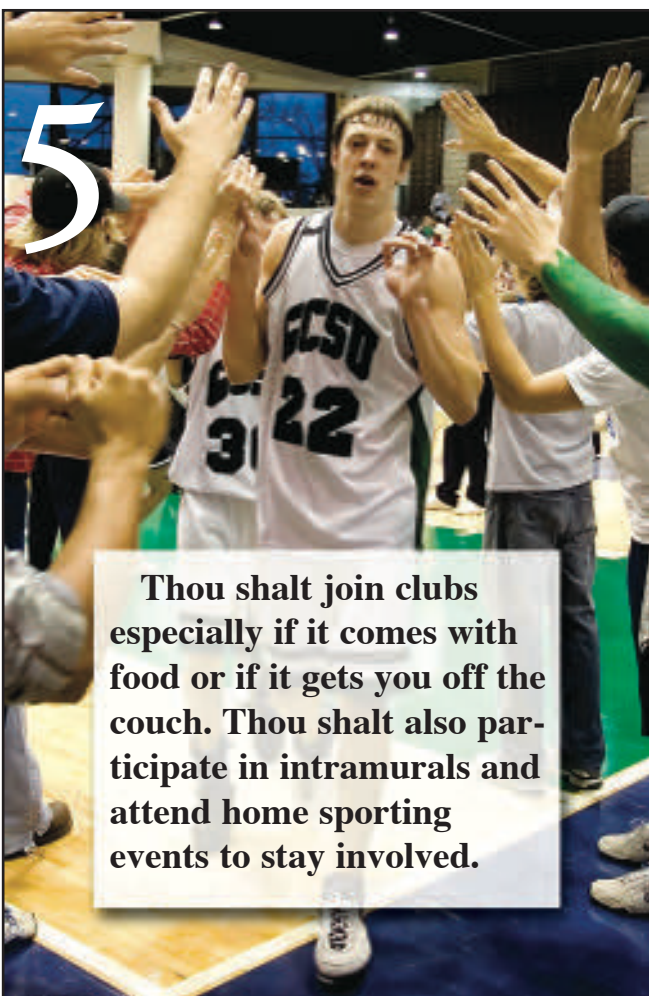
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Thou shalt buy textbooks and thou shalt sell them back for pretty much nothing. Thou shalt not have any money afterwards but shalt spend every dime on brainless and useless stuff.



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Thou shalt get 8 hours of sleep but thou shalt be lucky to get 5 hours of sleep and sleep before 1 a.m. According to Web MD, 20 percent of college students suffer from sleep deprivation.



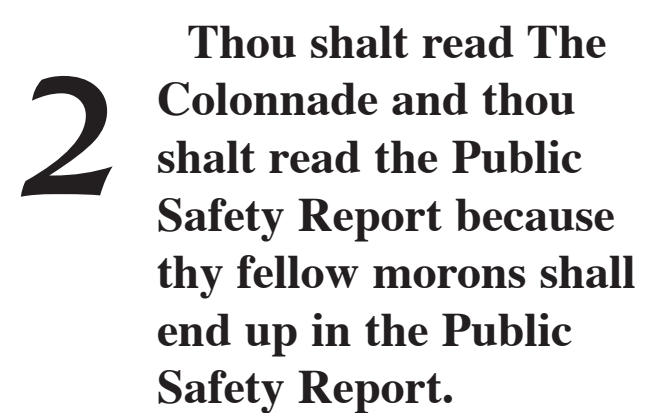
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Thou shalt join clubs especially if it comes with food or if it gets you off the couch. Thou shalt also participate in intramurals and attend home sporting events to stay involved.



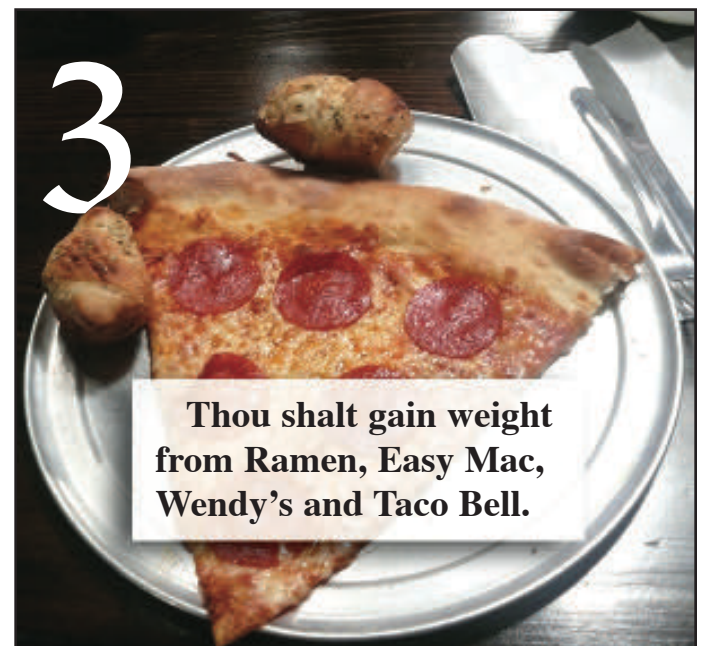
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Thou shalt stay on campus during the weekends and find something to do. Thou shalt make Milledgeville a true college town.



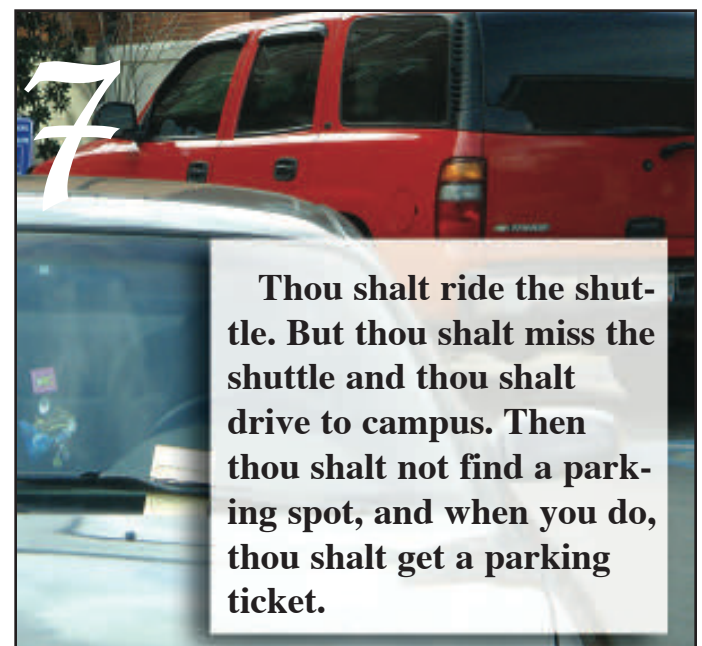
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Thou shalt read The Colonnade and thou shalt read the Public Safety Report because thy fellow morons shall end up in the Public Safety Report.



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Thou shalt gain weight from Ramen, Easy Mac, Wendy's and Taco Bell.



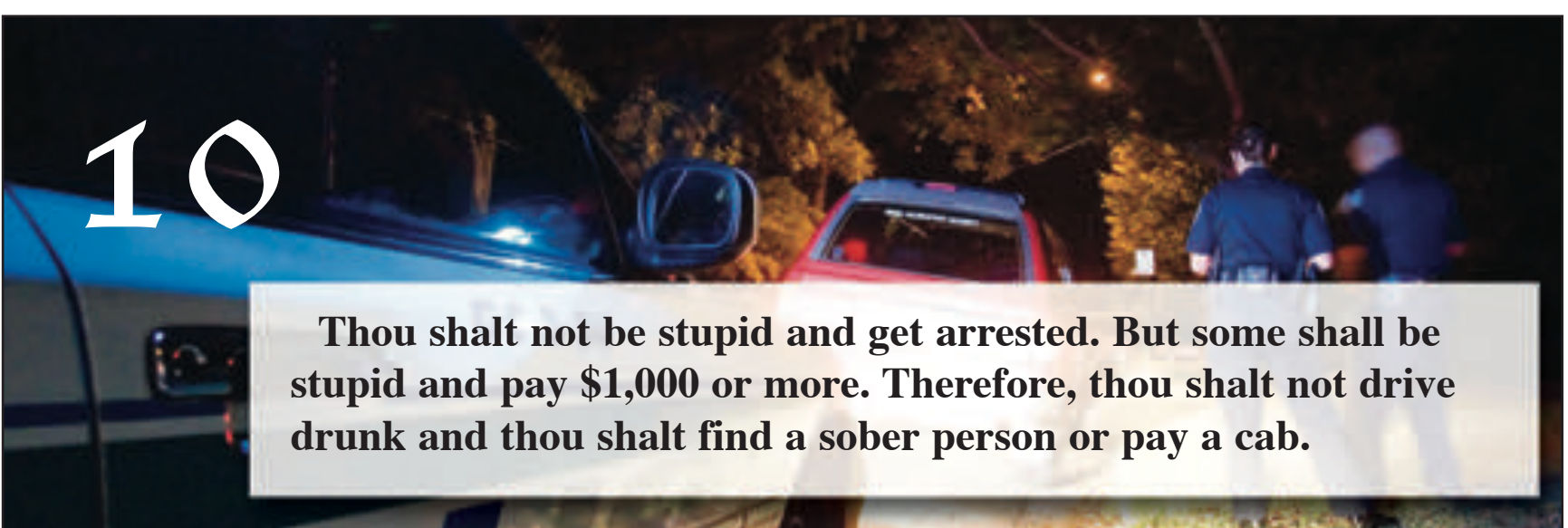
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Thou shalt ride the shuttle. But thou shalt miss the shuttle and thou shalt drive to campus. Then thou shalt not find a parking spot, and when you do, thou shalt get a parking ticket.



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Thou shalt be well prepared for exams. Though many shall cram the night before because thou shalt waste time on Facebook and look at everyone's profiles.



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Thou shalt not be stupid and get arrested. But some shall be stupid and pay \$1,000 or more. Therefore, thou shalt not drive drunk and thou shalt find a sober person or pay a cab.





FILE PHOTO  
The GCSU Shuttle now offers rides to the Milledgeville Mall and Walmart for ride packages costing \$10, \$15, and \$20 depending on the number of rides bought.

# Shuttle shifts to off-campus route for fee

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The GCSU Parking & Transportation Services department began providing shuttle service to the Milledgeville Mall and the WalMart plaza on May 12, which ran during the weekends for Maymester and Summer I & II terms. Beginning this fall the program will continue with expansion possible based on demand.

The route will initiate from the Village Market on West Campus through the residence halls along Greene Street and then depart MSU to WalMart, the Mall, then back to West Campus and rejoin the standard weekend route to Central Campus.

“There has been a request for this service before and we even ran the route for two weeks back in 2004,” said Darryl Richardson, Transportation Services Coordinator for GCSU.

Over the past couple of years other University System of Georgia schools have been requesting that their shuttles be able to take students to shopping venues out of a sense of responsibility to those students who do not have cars. But it was learned that the

insurance at that time did not allow for such routes to be run. This reason coupled with the increasing gas prices and the value of mass transit have caused the USG Board of Regents to reevaluate the insurance criteria which was reworked to allow schools the option of offering this service within certain guidelines.

The International Education Center was the initial catalyst to get this service going again here at GCSU. Libby Davis, Associate Director of International Education, was very pleased when she found out the Parking & Transportation Services department would begin service this summer.

“A lot of our international students cannot get driver’s licenses and cabs can get expensive, this service will be fantastic for all the students but I know the international folks are really looking forward to it starting.”

The new service was not accounted for in the budget and since there are folks who will not need to use it, a decision was made to make it a fee-for-use service. Individuals may pre-purchase Ride Cards which offer a set number of boardings based on the

amount purchased.

Each time you board the Shopping Shuttle you must present your Ride Card to be punched. A trip to shop at WalMart or the Mall and return will cost you two punches while a trip to visit both shopping centers will require three punches. Currently the cards will sell in blocks of 24 Rides / \$20, 16 Rides / \$15, and 8 Rides / \$10. Based on buying the 24 ride option a round trip ticket to shop at both centers costs you only \$2.50, less than a gallon of gas and twice as cheap as a cab. When asked why the program was starting in the summer.

“We know the numbers of riders will be low over the summer, but it gives us a good chance to work out any scheduling kinks before we fully integrate it into our fall schedule.” replied Greg Brown, Manager of Parking & Transportation Services. The hope is for the service to be available in the evenings during the regular terms.

Departure schedules for the Shopping Shuttle are located on the Transportation web site under Favorite Links within MyCats and at the shuttle stops at the Village Market and MSU.

# Auxiliary Services makes improvements for the fall

## Dining Dollars verses CatCash

Dining Dollars (money that comes with the purchase of a 150 Block, 14 Meals Per Week, or Unlimited Meal Plan and is deposited by GCSU to a meal plan participant’s Bobcat Card when the meal plan is purchased) allow you the flexibility to purchase from the entire menu selection of any on-campus GCSU dining location. Purchase anything you want, whenever you want! These facilities currently include the MSU Dining Hall, Chick-fil-A, Blimpie Subs & Salads, Books & Brew Starbucks Café, Grill 155, The Village Market, and Einstein Bros. Bagels.

CatCash (all money personally deposited to a cardholder’s Bobcat Card, not associated with a meal plan) may be used for purchases anywhere the Bobcat Card is accepted, both on and off campus.

CatCash funds in any amount may be added any time via check, cash, money order, or credit card at the Bobcat Card Office, the GCSU Business Office, the Online Card Office ([www.gcsu.edu/bobcatcard](http://www.gcsu.edu/bobcatcard)), or at any VTS (value transfer station) located on campus.

Dining Dollars and CatCash act as automated debit accounts. Each time you make a purchase with your Bobcat Card using Dining Dollars or CatCash, the amount is automatically deducted from your account – and you never have to choose which account you wish to pay from. When a purchase is made at any on-campus dining location, the Bobcat Card system will automatically look first to the Dining Dollars account for payment, and if that account is depleted, it will automatically look to the CatCash account. It couldn’t be easier!

All Dining Dollars and CatCash funds roll forward indefinitely (even across semesters and academic years), and balances greater than \$20 are always available for a full refund upon graduation or official withdrawal from GCSU. You never have to worry about losing your money! For more information, please call 478-445-CARD.

## Places Bobcat Card is accepted

- |  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. The MSU Dining Hall                 | 12.Snack & Beverage Vending        |
| 2. Chick-fil-A (On Campus)             | 13. Zaxby’s                        |
| 3. Blimpie Subs & Salads (On Campus)   | 14. Barberito’s                    |
| 4. Books & Brew Starbucks Café         | 15. CVS/pharmacy (Both Locations)  |
| 5. Grill 155                           | 16. Cuts by Angels/GLOW Hair Salon |
| 6. The Village Market                  | 17. Domino’s Pizza                 |
| 7. Einstein Bros. Bagels               | 18. Luigi’s Pizza                  |
| 8. PawPrints Bookstores                | 19. IHOP                           |
| 9. Copy Vending in the Library         | 20. Chili’s                        |
| 10. Printers in Computer Labs          | 21. Subway                         |
| 11. Laundry Vending in Residence Halls |                                    |

## Now serving breakfast at The Village

A new meal equivalency program allows residents of The Village who have purchased a meal plan the option of eating breakfast at The Village Market this fall. A meal plan participant may exchange a meal swipe of his Bobcat Card for \$4.25 in purchases from the breakfast menu.

If you purchase more than the \$4.25 allowed for the equivalency, you may use Dining Dollars, CatCash, cash, and/or a credit card to cover the remaining balance. Only one meal equivalency is permitted per breakfast meal period. For all block meal plans, only one swipe per person is permitted.

The breakfast menu includes a variety of hot breakfast biscuits, grits, oatmeal, cereal, Pop Tarts, muffins, scones, doughnuts, fresh fruit, coffee, cappuccino, juices, milk, Coke products, and more. One example of a breakfast that might be selected while staying within the allowance is a hot chicken biscuit, oatmeal, and orange juice. The offer is limited to breakfast items only. Breakfast is served from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

## Happy Birthday Table Talk

Table Talk, the ever-popular program that facilitates greater communication between students and faculty, enters its tenth year this fall.

So, what is Table Talk? It’s free lunch and friendly, lively conversation between students and faculty in the MSU Dining Hall.

Here’s how it works:

1. If you are a teaching faculty member, and you’d like to participate in Table Talk, you must go by the Bobcat Card Office (located inside the MSU location of PawPrints Bookstore) and have the privilege activated for your card. Please allow two full days for activation of the privilege before participating. All currently enrolled students are automatically eligible and do not need to report to the Card Office to have the privilege activated.

2. Table Talk is available for any one meal per week from Monday through Saturday. It is not available on Sundays. If you attempt to participate more than once per week, your card will be declined and payment will be required for the meal.

3. One teaching faculty member (faculty status - not staff) and no more than two students at a time may participate.

4. All participants (faculty member and student(s)) must check in at the cashier’s stand at the same time (with Bobcat Cards) and let the cashier know you wish to take part in Table Talk. If you do not present yourselves as a complete group, or if you do not have your Bobcat Card, payment will be required for the meal.

5. The Table Talk program is not allowed for faculty members and students who are related to one another. It is also not intended for faculty to meet with their graduate assistants or other student workers.

For further information, please contact Kyle Cullars, Executive Director of Auxiliary Services, at campus extension 1976 or email: [kyle.cullars@gcsu.edu](mailto:kyle.cullars@gcsu.edu)



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# RHA changes to RSA to include The Village

## 2007 RSA Resident Assistants

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Suzanne	Deacon
Azania	Henry
Karla	White
Ashley	Brooks
John	Hartmann
Amy	Meisner
Carter	Gillespie
Katherine	Mann
Elliott	Holmes
Jennifer	Keeton
Jessica	Affleck
Kathryn	Krieger
Robert	Jones
Britney	Graham
Ben	Souter
Rachel	Melnick
Melanie	Duncan
Charissa	Curry
Ajayi	Monell
Calvin	Ratteree
Laura	Palmer
Amanda	Gunter
Amanda	Brown
Jennifer	Myrick
Michael	Key
Paul	Grisby
Gary	Smith
Joel	Smith
Kayla	Peavy
Amber	Barnard
Kendra	Stanley
Kimberly	Strnad
John	Wright
Mathis	Wilkens
Ariel	Grantham
Rasheda	Jones
Jason	Brinson
Brittany	Stephens
Michael	James
Nathan	Lancaster
Jessica	Jarrell
Bonnie	Kelly
Taylor	Mills
Micko	Camp

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The Resident Student Association, RSA, will start the year off by hosting a major program during the Week of Welcome. On Aug. 11, RSA will screen two blockbusters in two locations on campus. At West Campus, Blades of Glory will show on a gigantic inflatable screen. On a second screen located between Parkhurst and Foundation Halls, Talladega Nights will be playing. Students are encouraged to bring blankets and relax on the lawn for the show. The movie will start at sunset, roughly 8:30 p.m.

RSA begins fall 2007 with a new name and a vision to involve more students in campus life at GCSU. After being known as Residence Hall Association for years, the association decided to change its name to Resident Student Association in order to include students living on campus in The Village apartments.

"We really wanted to be more inclusive and better represent students living both in the traditional residence halls and at the apartments at The Village," said RSA co-advisor Amanda Gunter.

RSA is comprised of students living on campus. The association is committed to providing programs and events, and opportunities for community service and leadership development. In recent years, RSA has hosted a Battle of the Bands program; food drives and also sponsored several students who attended regional leadership development conferences.

Eve Puckett, assistant director of housing, stressed the positive impact participation in RSA can have on a student.

"Getting involved helps you become connected to the university while providing an opportunity to have an impact on your community – not to mention it's a lot of fun!"

Each hall or apartment building is represented to RSA by an elected hall council. To find out more about RSA and how to get involved, students are invited to an informational meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 21 at 8:30 p.m. in the Foundation Hall classroom.

For more information please contact Housing Marketing Coordinator Cindy McClanahan at cindy.mcclanahan@gcsu.edu or at (478) 804-4796.

## The 2007 SGA officers

### Ryan Greene, President

Welcome back, students. My name is Ryan Greene, and I will be acting as the President of your Student Government Association this coming year. I am a junior, as well as business management major. I am actively involved with the Leadership Certificate Program and Georgia Educational Mentorship Program (GEM), as well as concert and jazz band. If you have any questions, concerns, please feel free to contact me at ryan\_greene@ecats.gcsu.edu.



### Justin Haight, Vice President

Hello, my name is Justin Haight and I am excited to be serving you as the Vice President of the Student Government Association. I will be a junior majoring in management. Along with Student Government, I am the Chaplain of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity and the treasurer of Santa's Miracle Fund. I am also currently involved in the GEM program and the Leadership Certificate Program. It is my determination to work hard toward the creation and implementation of policies that will affect the students.



### Michael George, Attorney General

Hi, my name is Michael George and I am the Attorney General. I am an honors student. I plan to inform the student body of not only their responsibilities as students, but their rights as well. While acting as head of the Judicial Board I will not operate under "Zero Tolerance" unless expressly mandated by the University. Each case will be heard on an individual basis and all extenuating circumstances will be taken into account.



### Alissa Torchia, Secretary

I am a Sophomore Psychology and Business major here at GCSU. I am also a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority where I serve as the finance assistant. I also participate in the Dance Marathon program as the PR chair. I am really excited to see where the SGA name goes this year and I hope that students will recognize that we are working for them and that we are trying to make the best decision for the betterment of the whole student body.



### Marcus Green, Treasurer

Hi my name is Marcus Green, and I will be serving as your SGA Treasurer this year. I am a sophomore accounting major from Washington, DC. On campus I am a Student Ambassador, a member of the Black Student Alliance, NAACP, SOAR, and ANGELS. This year, I and the rest of the SGA Executives have a lot planned and we are motivated to make SGA bigger and better. I am happy to start a new year, and look forward to serving all the students.



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## Public Safety covers all angles for Fall semester



Goodson

Dear Students,

Welcome to GCSU! We hope that your stay with us for the next few years will be an enjoyable educational experience. The Department of Public Safety is charged with the responsibility of protecting the state's most cherished resource; its children and future leaders. We are glad that you chose to attend the states Public Liberal Arts University and it is our intent to keep you safe in your person and belongings.

Known as the father of modern policing, Robert Peel said "The ability of the police to perform their duties is dependent upon public approval of police actions. Police must secure the willing co-operation of the public in voluntary observance of the law to be able to secure and maintain the respect of the public."

We at Public Safety realize that we need your cooperation to be successful. It is our hope to work with

you in an environment of mutual respect. We exist to serve the university community.

You will be pleased to know that GCSU is protected by over a hundred video cameras, 64 emergency call boxes, panic alarms in every residence hall room and 15 sworn officers ready to serve. All of our officers are POST certified and have received advanced training in a number of areas including response to an active shooter.

Our motto at Public Safety is to protect, serve and educate. We feel that we are part of the education process at GCSU and have made it a commitment in our enforcement efforts. We have a Public Safety Sergeant devoted full time to crime prevention and education efforts. We believe so strongly in the education component of our mission, you will notice our motto on the rear of all of our patrol vehicles.

As long as everyone adheres to the GCSU honor code of reason, respect and responsibility, your time at GCSU should be a pleasant one. We encourage you to behave responsibly and make wise decisions. If you have any questions about safety or security please feel free to contact us at Public Safety at 445-4400.

Sincerely,  
Richard Goodson  
Deputy Director

## Explore the world at GCSU

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Seize the opportunity to become a global citizen of GCSU while you can. In addition to the numerous services our campus has to offer, there are a multitude of opportunities to see the world and experience it on campus.

The International Club is one of the largest organizations on campus and is open to all students, both Georgia bred and from abroad! The group meets every Wednesday evening at 8:30 alternating coffee hours with club meetings. The club organizes philanthropic events including the GCSU annual International Day in October and the annual International Dinner that is jam-packed with exciting displays of talent, fashion and amazing foods from around the world.

Enhance your resume while having the best experiences of your college career, and be able to demonstrate to your future employers that you have necessary cross-cultural communication skills and experiences to make you among the best in your class by participating in study abroad. GCSU International Education Center offers a wide variety of both summer and semester study abroad programs on nearly every continent! HOPE scholarship and financial aid can be applied, and there are scholarships available to those who apply early. Foreign language skills are



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The International Club learns the skills of salsa dancing in the Magnolia Ballroom on March 10, 2007.

not required, but don't be surprised if you pick up a few along the way.

Want to be a global citizen, but don't have time for extracurricular activities? Consider one of GCSU's many international majors and minors. The Department of Modern Foreign Languages offers majors in French and Spanish, minors in French, German, Spanish, and courses in Arabic, Italian, Japanese, and Russian. The School of Business offers a minor in International Business. Additionally, there are several interdisciplinary minors.

For more information, contact the International Education Center in Lanier 223, phone number 478-445-4789.



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GCSU students sport their international regalia at International day on front campus Fall semester.

## The Learning Center

### Tutorial Support Services

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The Learning Center offers free tutorial assistance in many core curriculum courses. Students may pick up a current tutoring schedule in the Learning Center in A&S 256 or go on-line at

[www.gcsu.edu/success/tutoring.html](http://www.gcsu.edu/success/tutoring.html)

Algebra  
Biology  
Calculus  
Chemistry  
Economics

Grammar

Math Modeling  
Physics  
Pre-Calculus  
Statistics  
Trigonometry

In addition to offering tutoring in the above areas, the Learning Center has computer software to improve study or writing skills. Several computers are equipped with tutorial programs for Chemistry, Biology and Math.

## Leadership Development Opportunities with the Office of Academic Engagement

### Leadership Certificate Program

The **Leadership Certificate Program** is designed to promote your ongoing leadership training, education, and development through purposeful instruction, quality programming, direct experience, and active reflection.



Explore the principles and practices of leadership by participating in workshops, retreats, and leadership courses.

Gain valuable direct leadership experience by pursuing leadership opportunities on campus and working with GCSU community partners.

"After being in the Leadership Certificate Program for just one semester, I could tell a significant improvement in my leadership abilities. I am so thankful that I am a part of this program, a program that has changed my outlook on leadership forever."

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**Ryan Greene**  
Junior, Business Management  
SGA President, 2007-2008



Each semester, the GEM program matches approximately fifteen to twenty outstanding GCSU students with prominent state leaders in fields such as business, education, politics, healthcare, law, and industry. These executives serve as mentors for participating students, promoting their personal and professional growth by providing opportunities for them to identify and understand the principles and practices of leadership and success that benefit both the professional world and the community.



"Students will rarely have another opportunity to work with such influential state and national leaders. These men and women are very successful in their chosen fields, and they want to help us prepare for similarly bright futures."  
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**Brandie Tatum, GCSU Alumna**

The GEM program is completed over the span of a regular semester, during which you would remain enrolled in your courses. Students must have 30 credit hours and a 3.0 GPA to participate.

If interested in the Leadership Certificate Program or the GEM program, contact John Bowen, Coordinator of Leadership Programs, at [john.bowen@gcsu.edu](mailto:john.bowen@gcsu.edu) or 478-1227. Both programs are administered by the Office of Academic Engagement, located in Bowen Hall. For more information on any of our programs, visit [www.gcsu.edu/engagement/](http://www.gcsu.edu/engagement/).



# **Want to get more involved on Campus?**



**Heres how to become  
more involved in Student  
Government Association...**

**SGA will be having an info session  
on August 20th from  
6-8 pm in the A&S auditorium.**



**Senator Applications will be  
given out at the info session.  
The Applications can also be  
picked up outside the SGA  
Executive Office  
in the Oak Room - first floor of  
Student Activities.**



# Opinion

The Colonnade's Forum for Public Debate

Friday, August 3, 2007

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Editor in Chief, Lee Sandow

## Get to know the Honor Code

All students are expected to abide by the requirements of the Georgia College & State University Honor Code as it applies to all academic work at the University. Failure to abide by the Honor Code will result in serious penalties.

### Matriculation Pledge

In enrolling at Georgia College & State University, I solemnly pledge that I will conduct myself in such a manner as to reflect credit on the Georgia College & State University community, and I will uphold the Honor Code of the University. If I violate this Honor Code, I will accept the imposed penalty, which may include expulsion from the University.

### Preamble

Since 1942, there has been an Honor Code at Georgia College & State University. This Code is a dynamic aspect of the University which helps to define its character as an institution of higher learning in the best liberal arts tradition. Through the years, this Code has given rise to an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust on the Georgia College & State University campus.

And, as a result of periodic examination and review, the Honor Code continues to grow stronger. After undergoing thoughtful study and meticulous revision during the 1998-99 academic year, today's Honor Code reflects a renewed desire of the present student generation for an honorable community and guarantees

stiff punishments for dishonorable actions.

The commitment to honor has its own rewards, but the Honor Code also brings responsibilities - a respect for the ideas, values, and property of others; a readiness to subordinate one's own interests to the interests and well-being of the whole university community; and a dedication to abide by the rules of the University.

In order to maintain an honorable campus, student commitment is vital. This commitment begins with personal integrity, extends to the refusal to condone violation of the rules, and ends with support of an appropriate punishment for those who violate the spirit and provisions of the Honor Code. Anything short of full commitment undermines the very essence of Georgia College & State University honor. Those who engage in dishonorable behavior may be banned from the University for one or two semesters, or permanently.

Students who are unfamiliar with the concept of honor or who have a history of dishonorable behavior are urged to consider alternatives to Georgia College & State University. However, those wishing to renew themselves in the spirit of honor will be invited to join the community of Georgia College & State University by formally embracing the Honor Code at a ceremony at the beginning of their academic careers at GCSU (the Honor Code, however, is applicable to all students who matriculate at GCSU).

### The Honor Code

It is presumed that any student who matriculates at Georgia College & State University is willing to conform to a pattern of mutual trust and honor and shall deal honorably with all members of the university community. It must be understood that it is the responsibility of each student, faculty, and staff member to preserve, nurture, and strengthen this spirit of honor.

Georgia College & State University students shall at all times refrain from and discourage all attempts at lying, cheating, stealing, plagiarism, and vandalism. When a violation of the Honor Code is detected, a student should take steps to bring the matter to the attention of the Student Judicial Board or the Vice President and Dean of Students.

### Violations Defined

"Lying" is defined as any attempt to deceive, falsify, or misrepresent the truth in any matter involving university business. University business includes but is not limited to, financial aid information, excuses for absences, statements to professors in order to reschedule tests or assignments, and responses to the queries of Public Safety officers.

"Cheating" is defined as the employment of or rendering of any illicit aid in any assigned work.

"Stealing" is defined as the appropriation of money or property belonging to another person, organization, or the University, or the borrowing of property without the

knowledge of the owner.

"Plagiarism" is defined as presenting as one's own work the words or ideas of an author or fellow student. Students should document quotes through quotation marks and footnotes or other accepted citation methods. Ignorance of these rules concerning plagiarism is not an excuse. When in doubt, students should seek clarification from the professor who made the assignment.

"Vandalism" is defined as intentional, malicious damage to university property or property belonging to others.

### Penalties

The Judicial Council may, for any first offense violation of the Honor Code, impose immediate suspension for the remainder of the current semester and possibly for one additional semester (depending on the severity of the violation). If suspended in the fall, one would be suspended for the remainder of the fall semester and possibly the spring semester; if suspended in the spring, one would be suspended for the remainder of the spring semester and possibly the following fall semester.

The normal penalty for a second Honor Code violation is immediate expulsion from the University.

Presented by the Student Government Association, passed by the University Council, and ratified by the student body of Georgia College & State University, March 1999.

Amended by  
SGA, February 2001.

## Our Voice

### Not your average welcome

Normally, The Voice represents the consensus view of The Colonnade staff members, and each week we discuss an issue that is important at the time, be it locally focused or nationally focused.

The editorial is also, normally, the most difficult thing to write and often has at least three different authors in the span of 500 words.

Normally,

For this first issue, however, it falls on the me, the Editor-in-Chief, to write The Voice for this special Week of Welcome issue, and in those 500 words, I have to find a way to welcome you to GCSU, tell you about The Colonnade - who we are and what we do - and excite you for the upcoming academic year.

The challenge with The Voice this week is welcoming, informing, and inspiring, without repeating the editorials from the last several years.

So, let's do something different.

Enough talking about GCSU. Enough talking about me.

Let's talk about you.

First, to any freshmen reading this, I can only confer upon you one piece of wisdom: Hit the ground running, and hit it hard. Meet people, get involved, and try something new. Don't be intimidated; we were all freshmen once.

To the transfer students, high-five on your choice to attend here. You made the right decision. You'll be immersed in the community in no time.

To the returning students, these words of wisdom, these nuggets of profound advice, are probably close to the same repetitive tripe you've endured for years. Hang in there, you'll graduate someday. Remember, don't pick on the freshmen.

No matter who you are, remember that The Colonnade will be there for you every week with breaking news, sports, features and your opinions. The student newspaper is a student organization of the students, for the students, and welcomes your comments, criticisms and suggestions. This tradition of service extends back to 1924.

Let out steam by venting in our Litter Box. Look for our roving photographers to have your picture taken for the Bobcat Beat. Send us letters at [colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu).

Everyone has a story to tell. Look for our reporters around campus, and tell us what you think. Even better, come by our weekly Monday meetings in Maxwell Student Union and put your skills to the test as a writer, designer, or photographer.

Look for us beyond the newspaper on our Web site, [www.gcsunade.com](http://www.gcsunade.com). We've got exciting plans for it this semester, so look for photo galleries and other content to join our online-only stories and Public Safety Report podcasts.

Well, looks like I turned this into a talk about The Colonnade after all. Oops.

In any case, welcome (back) to GCSU. Here's to looking at another exciting year.

*Lee Sandow*

Lee Sandow  
Editor-in-Chief

## The GCSU Code of Conduct

Georgia College & State University may discipline a student in non-academic matters. This normally involves matters which occur on the GCSU campus or at GCSU-sponsored events, but may be extended to off-campus matters which could reasonably be expected to impact the GCSU community. Repeated off-campus arrests generally result in GCSU judicial charges as well as criminal charges.

All students are expected to adhere to the stipulations of the GCSU Honor Code, which addresses lying, cheating, stealing,

plagiarism, and vandalism.

All residence hall students are expected to adhere as well to the contract terms and stipulations listed in the University Housing Handbook.

Students are subject to disciplinary action for violating the following Code of Conduct:

1. Conduct that violates local, state, or Federal laws or GCSU regulations regarding alcohol and other drugs.

2. Conduct that constitutes a danger to the personal safety of other members of the university community. This may include

assault, attempted assault, or the threat of assault.

3. Conduct that obstructs, seriously impairs, attempts to obstruct or seriously impair university-run or university-authorized activities on any university property, indoors or out.

4. Acts which violate university provisions concerning parking, traffic, ID cards, university keys, smoking in unauthorized places, carrying firearms, unauthorized peddling, unauthorized use of sound amplifying equipment, and other acts which violate local, state or federal laws,

or which violate appropriate conduct.

5. Intentional harassment of another person. Harassment includes, but is not limited to, threatening, intimidating, verbally abusing, impeding, telephoning, communicating electronically, following or persistently bothering or annoying. Harassment may represent but is not limited to acts based on sex, race, religion, national origin, handicap or sexual orientation.

6. Failing to abide by disciplinary sanctions imposed by a GCSU judicial body.

## Become a GCSU global citizen

Seize the opportunity to become a global citizen of Georgia College & State University while you can. In addition to the numerous services our campus has to offer, there are a multitude of opportunities to see the world and experience it on campus.

The International Club is one of the largest organizations on campus and is open to all students, both Georgia bred and from abroad! The group meets every Wednesday evening at 8:30 alternating coffee hours with club meetings. The club organizes philanthropic events including

the GCSU annual International Day in October and the annual International Dinner that is jam-packed with exciting displays of talent, fashion and amazing foods from around the world.

Enhance your resume while having the best experiences of your college career, and be able to demonstrate to your future employers that you have necessary cross-cultural communication skills and experiences to make you among the best in your class all by participating in study abroad. GCSU International Education

Center offers a wide variety of both summer and semester study abroad programs on nearly every continent! HOPE scholarship and financial can be applied, and there are scholarships available to those who apply early. Foreign language skills are not required, but don't be surprised if you pick up a few along the way.

Want to be a global citizen, but don't have time for extracurricular activities? Consider one of GCSU's many international majors and minors. The Department of Modern Foreign Languages offers

majors in French and Spanish, minors in French, German, Spanish, and courses in Arabic, Italian, Japanese, and Russian. The School of Business offers a minor in International Business. Additionally, there are several interdisciplinary minors including African Studies, International Studies, and Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

For more information, contact the International Education Center in Lanier 223, phone number 478-445-4789.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor can be submitted about anything, whether it is related to an article in The Colonnade or not. The following is a letter from last semester, used as a sample of a good example of a letter to the editor.

## Feel shame for placing blame

Dear Editor,

I learned about the shootings at Virginia Tech in Centennial, right before my fitness test for my health class. "Do you know anybody at Virginia Tech?" the physical therapy student asked me as I filled out my questionnaire on my current fitness habits. Although somewhat random, I was delighted at the idea of conversation during this awkward event, and I went on to tell him that I had actually stopped at Virginia Tech to visit some buddies on the way to a skiing resort last month.

What he told me next, of course, completely twisted my state of mind; that 31 people were currently dead due to a school shooting. Lots of things went through my head. "Are Joey and Idi okay?" was the first, followed by why would someone do this, was this another depressed psychopath and what is it that is causing our generation to become more violent? But mostly, I was thinking of those in loss and in need, and wondering what I could possibly do to help that community in their time of loss.

I was appalled when I came home and turned the news on. Before the dust had even settled, before the names of these massacred students were known by their own parents and before logical things such as the size of

the town and the efficiency of a lock-down were even considered, the news stations were attacking the school for its security failure and blaming the culprit's actions on video games.

Is it just me, or did we completely skip the supportive role of remembering those at Virginia Tech with peace and dignity? It's like we treated the situation like a Hillbilly funeral; arguing over the will and the reasons before honoring a family member's untimely death. To their advantage, certain security measures could be taken to help minimize the chances of this happening again.

Regardless, we can point our fingers all day; we can install security alarms and prepare for lockdowns and put metal detectors in every door; but what alarms me more than the increasing frequency of these random and violent attacks or gun control issues is the fact that no one seemed to stop and wonder about the source enough to try to help him.

This man was so mentally demented that he was not only thinking, but actively planning to kill several human beings on innocent grounds, along with killing himself. A deeply troubled individual was THIS mentally twisted and no one among his roommates, classmates, friends or even family

investigated enough to realize that this was a very dangerous problem. It's one thing to be a loner; it's another to be a premeditating self-destructive psychopath.

Of course, it is not our responsibility as a community to tend to each and every person's personal problems. I just find it hard to believe that this man was someone's son, someone's roommate or even someone's friend, and the seriousness of his condition was not discovered until it manifested in his violent cry for attention. Would you ever let someone you gave birth to, were related to, cared about, or even live with, continue in this state? If someone you knew carried this much disdain for the world and life itself, would you be concerned or walk away?

Maybe it's possible to take another approach besides the blame-game and heightened security; maybe we should look inside ourselves and take more time every day to reach out or at least be a bit more observant. You never know when you may come across a person who feels they mean nothing to their friends and family and no one to tell them otherwise.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Collier  
Nursing  
Junior



What are your hopes / ambitions for this school year?



**"I'm just hoping to survive this madness."**

*Lee Sandow, Junior, Editor-in-Chief*



**"To graduate and get a job. I want to enjoy my last year of irresponsibility."**

*Wes Brown, Senior, News Editor*



**"To graduate and get into law school. I would also not like to kill my co-workers, but the chances of that are slim-to-none."**

*Jessica Murphy, Senior, Features Editor*



**"I want to have fun and not get into too much trouble."**

*Corey Dickstein, Junior, Sports Editor*



**"I hope to improve the visual aspects of the 'Nade and kick butt at the next GCPA. First place General Photography Excellence, here we come!!"**

*Brittany Thomas, Junior, Photo Editor*

*Reported by The Colonnade Staff*

## THE COLONNADE POLICY: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Colonnade encourages readers to express their views and opinions by sending letters to the editor at: CBX 2442; Milledgeville, Ga. 31061 or by e-mail at [colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu)

All letters must be typed and include:

- names

- address/ Email address
- telephone number
- year of study
- major

Only your name, year of study and major will be listed.

- Unsigned letters will not be printed. Names will be withheld only under very unusual circumstances.
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words may be condensed.

- All letters will be edited for grammar, spelling and punctuation errors.

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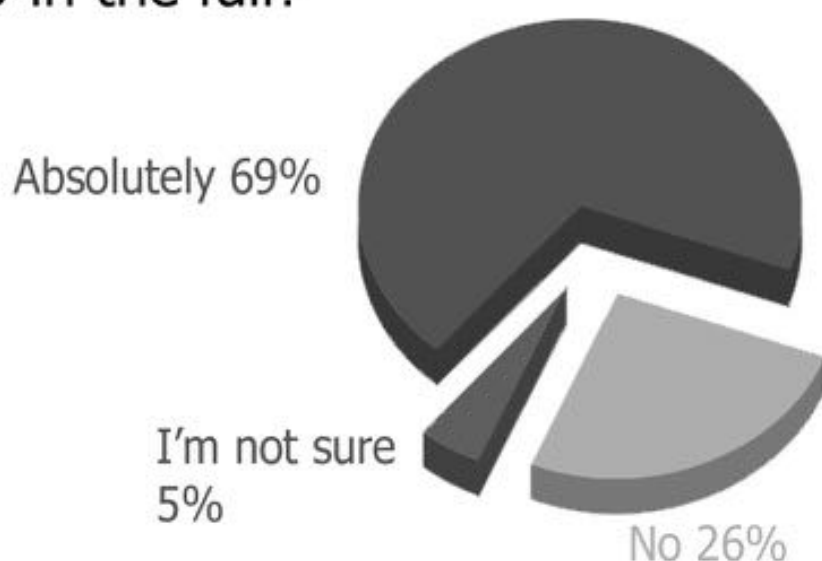
- We are not able to acknowledge their receipt or disposition. Letters will be printed at the discretion of the Editor in Chief.

## POLL OF THE WEEK

GRAPHIC BY LEE SANDOW

# Poll of the Week

Will you be returning to GCSU in the fall?



Vote for your answer to next week's question online at [www.gcsunade.com](http://www.gcsunade.com).

# The Litter Box

Instant Message with "ColonnadeVent"  
ColonnadeVent  
Last message received at: 6:33:10 PM

All the contents of this box are submitted by students through AIM. When there aren't enough comments to fill the box, The Colonnade staff has to make them up. When that happens, the vents aren't funny, so be sure to do your part and submit your petty rants every week.

What are we gonna do about my headshot?

Hello. My name is Facebook. Maybe you've heard of me. If not, you will soon. I will consume your life and soul.

What does that even mean? You don't even know!

Dealines are a real pain in the neck.

I've got a ducky on my desktop! I suspect fowl play.

Moar Ejipshun lazer beams!!

See? Didn't we warn you these were pretty lousy when composed by the staff? For the rest of this particular Litter Box (don't you love all the cat puns at GCSU?) we'll fill the space with funny quotes. (Quotes from coolfunnyquotes.com.)

There are no stupid questions, just stupid people.

When I die, I want to go peacefully like my Grandfather did, in his sleep -- not screaming, like the passengers in his car.

Last night I lay in bed looking up at the stars in the sky and I thought to myself, where the heck is the ceiling.

A computer once beat me at chess, but it was no match for me at kick boxing.

Man invented language to satisfy his deep need to complain.

Always remember you're unique, just like everyone else.

Hold on! A submission:  
Screw the rules, I have money!

Want to vent about something? Send us a message about what's bothering you to screen name **ColonnadeVent**. Comments can be sent anytime, any day of the week.







# WHAT'S HAPPENING

Week of  
Welcome 2007

Friday, August 10

Saturday, August 11

8 a.m. - 4 p.m. A Major Move: Resident Halls Open  
3-5 p.m. SOAR Parent/Student Orientation, A&S Auditorium

Sunday, August 12

Monday, August 13

12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Bobcat Marketplace, Front Campus  
12:30 p.m. Fall 2007 New Student Orientation, A&S Auditorium  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. New Faculty Art Exhibition: "Unearthed," by Emily Gomez, Photographer, Blackbridge Hall

Tuesday, August 14

8 - 8:45 p.m. Freshman Convocation, Front Campus

Wednesday, August 15

All Day Classes Begin  
7:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Lemonade Brigade, entire campus

Thursday, August 16

7:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Lemonade Brigade, entire campus  
5 - 7p. m. Photography Art Reception: "Unearthed" by Emily Gomez, Blackbridge Hall  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. "Let Us Now Praise the Rom:" Documentary  
Photography by Karen Graffeo, University Museum

Please send calendar submissions to [colonnadenews@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnadenews@gcsu.edu)

## Campus Life welcomes students

Dear Students,

The Department of Campus Life would like to extend a hearty welcome to all new and returning students at GCSU. For new students, we sincerely hope that you are excited about your decision to attend GCSU. As you make your way around campus, you may notice a building that looks like a church across from front campus: that is The Student Center. The Student Center serves as the "living room" of our

campus. Come relax and have fun in your Student Center.

The office for the Department of Campus Life is located on the third floor of the Student Center. We provide services such as Recognized Student Organization mailboxes, copy services for student groups, faxing, flyer approval, and information on activities and events. We are a one-stop shop for all student involvement needs.

If you have questions or

need information about Greek Life, Student Involvement, Intramural Sports, Venture Out, Sport Clubs, Volunteer Efforts, or Leadership Programs, please stop by the Department of Campus Life, visit our homepage (<http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/campuslife/>), or call us at (478) 445-4027.

We look forward to serving you this year. Again, congratulations on making or continuing to make GCSU your home campus. Let's have some fun!



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bestest friend ever!  
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## THE COLONNADE

### Public Safety Report



#### Do not drunk dial while driving

On July 27 at approximately 2:56 a.m. Officer Pissott observed a vehicle on Hancock Street swerve into the east-bound lane of traffic several times. A traffic stop was conducted and contact made with a male student. The driver advised he was talking on his cell phone and that caused him to swerve. While speaking with the male, Officer Pissott could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. The driver admitted to drinking 3 beers two hours prior to the stop. When tested on the Intoxilyzer 5000, he registered .148. The male was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with DUI and Weaving Over the Roadway. The vehicle was picked up by a sober driver.

#### Mysterious alarm refuses to turn off

On July 27 at approximately 6:41 a.m. a fire alarm went off at the Student Activities Center. Dispatch did not receive any notification of the alarm. The alarm was called in by housekeeping staff. Milledgeville Fire Department responded and attempted to reset the alarm, but were unsuccessful. The alarm was coming from the roof duct. Physical Plant was called in to fix the alarm.

#### You can run but you can't hide

On July 28 at approximately 4:00 a.m. Officer Reonas observed a vehicle on Clarke Street with an obstructed tag display. A traffic stop was initiated and contact made with a male student, who had the odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and slurred speech. When tested on the Intoxilyzer 50000, he registered .107. The driver was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with a DUI. The vehicle was left at the scene of the stop.

#### Back seat driver gets the boot

On July 29 at approximately 8:02 a.m. Officer Gaines was dispatched to the 300 block of North Clarke Street in reference to improperly parked vehicles. As he was placing a citation on one of the vehicles, he noticed a male asleep in the back seat. Contact was made with a male student, who had the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. A check of his ID determined that he was 19 years of age. The male was arrested and transported to Milledgeville PD and charged with Underage Possession of Alcohol and Improper Parking. The vehicle was towed by Old Capitol Wrecker Service.

#### That car hid well. It came out of nowhere

On July 30 at approximately 3:14 p.m. Officer Miller was dispatched to Lot No. 12 in reference to an accident. Contact was made with a female, who stated she was backing her vehicle from a parking space and struck a vehicle driven by a male. The female stated she did not see the vehicle. There was moderate damage to both vehicles. There were no injuries.

#### Refusing to give up

On July 8, at approximately 12:30 in the morning Officer Reonas observed a vehicle on West Charlton Street with one working brake light. A traffic stop was initiated, but the driver would not stop. The vehicle ran through stop signs on several streets and then lost control of the vehicle in the 200 block of East Charlton, hitting a telephone pole. The driver then crawled out of the vehicle and into the woods. Contact was made with the driver, who sustained leg and head injuries. EMS was called and transported the driver to ORMCM for treatment. Due to the severity of the drivers injuries, he was issued appearance citations and was not taken into custody.

Information compiled  
by Wes Brown

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# Features

The Colonnade's Guide to Art and Entertainment

Friday, August 3, 2007

www.gcsunade.com

Section Editor, Jessica Murphy

## Ways to immerse yourself in the GCSU community

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

Listed below are some of the student organizations that you can join to meet new people and become more involved with the campus life.

### The Office of Institutional Equity & Diversity



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### All Faiths Alliance for Equity & Social Justice

Recognizing that many individuals become interested in social justice issues as a result of their religious commitment to a just and equitable society, the All Faiths Alliance for Equity and Social Justice seeks to provide opportunities for GCSU students, faculty and staff to come together as a diverse group of people of all faiths to work for social justice and equity.

### Minority Advisement Program/Student Oriented Activities for Retention (MAP/SOAR); Multicultural Affairs

This program is designed to assist new minority students to become integrated into campus life at GCSU. Through a relationship with an experienced peer counselor (MAP Mentor) and a GCSU employee (SOAR Mentor), the new student will be guided through his/her first year experience.

Multicultural Affairs works to ensure that there are adequate programs and initiatives which increase the retention of students of color, provide support and advocacy for cultural populations including those defined by sexual orientation, enhance awareness and appreciation of cultural and racial diversity and promote a campus climate that celebrates difference.

### Bobcat Media Productions (Television)

Bobcat Media Productions provides an opportunity to have your work submitted and broadcasted on the campus television station. Many first and second year Mass Communication students are involved in the production process.

### History Club

Like history? Like having fun? Check out the GCSU History Club!

The History Club is one of the oldest student organiza-

tions on campus and has been going strong for over 80 years. The History Club is open to students of all majors who enjoy history and like meeting new people.

So what does the History Club do? We have weekly meetings, and we do a number of fun activities every year. Every October we do a haunted cemetery tour in Memory Hill Cemetery. We also host guest history speakers at GCSU including nationally acclaimed historians and a Pulitzer Prize winning author. Every spring we take a trip to a historic city. In the past years, the club has visited St. Simon's Island, Savannah and Charleston. These activities are only just a few of the many exciting things the History Club plans every year.

If you are interested in joining or have any questions concerning the History Club, please contact Tanya Saylor, History Club president, at tanya\_saylor@cats.gcsu.edu.

Hope you have a wonderful semester and welcome to Georgia College!

### GCSU Choral Ensembles

University Chorus is a non-auditioned choral organization focusing on the study and performance of music of all periods and styles and is open to all members of the university community. Students who enjoy singing are encouraged to join regardless of major or music reading skills.

Max Noah Singers is a choral organization made up of select singers with an emphasis on the study and performance of a variety of literature from madrigals and motets to the avant garde. MNS is open by audition to all members of the university community. Members of Max Noah are also required to enroll in University Chorus and commit to the group for the whole school year. If you are interested in auditioning for MNS, please e-mail Dr. Flory and sign up for UC.

Women's Ensemble, open to all female members of the university community, is a non-auditioned choral organization focusing on the study and performance of music of all periods and styles specifically for women's voices. All female students who enjoy singing are encouraged to join regardless of major or music-reading skills.

### Venture Out



Venture Out is a program devoted to providing outdoor experiences for the students of Georgia College. Funding for this program comes from the Student Activity fee paid by students each semester. The program provides a variety of seminars and hosts trips designed to introduce

novices to the great outdoors as well as challenge those more experienced. Some of these include instruction in the fundamentals of camping, introduction to the climbing wall, backpacking, rafting, rock climbing trips and open climbing wall days.

### The G.I.V.E. Center



Project Impact consists of a movie, a speaker and a community service project that are built around a centralized theme.

These themes include topics such as domestic violence, cancer, AIDS and HIV awareness, eating disorders, disabilities, hunger, homelessness issues, teen suicide, depression and alcohol awareness.

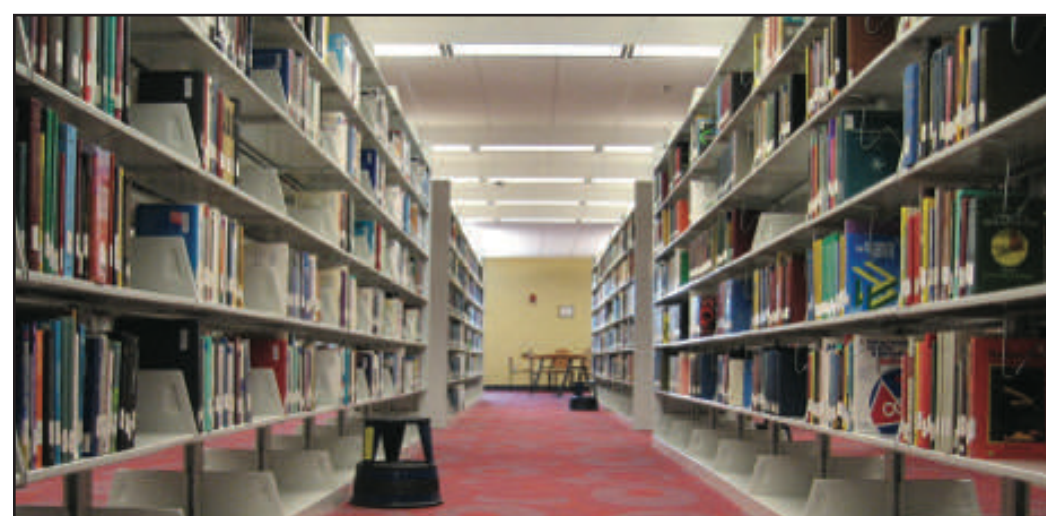
Project Impact will take place on the third Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. in The G.I.V.E. Center (Ennis Hall). This service program is being co-sponsored with CAB and Blockbuster Videos.

The movie is "Pay it Forward," which features Helen Hunt, Kevin Spacey and Haley Joel Osment. Just Imagine! You do a favor that really helps someone and tell him or her not to pay it back but to pay it forward to three other people who, in turn, each pay it forward to three more, and on and on into a global outpouring of kindness and decency. Impossible? Is it possible for one idea to change the world. How much impact can one heartfelt idea have? Do yourself a favor and find out; come see "Pay it Forward."

We will also be talking about The G.I.V.E. Center, why it is important to become a more active and concerned citizen and the start of the "Pay it Forward" movement at GCSU. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you have any questions or want to know more, call (478)445-5700.

### 88.9 FM - WGUR

WGUR provides a live radio broadcast experience for students. It gives you an opportunity to learn radio station procedures and gain experience in the field of communication. Students are welcome to broadcast whatever music or talk format that they choose.



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## Library: more than books

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The faculty and staff of the Library and Instructional Technology Center (LITC) welcome you to GCSU. We are pleased that you have chosen to become part of our learning community and know that your time here will be fulfilling. Here at the LITC, we've got something for everyone: whether you are writing a paper, doing research, e-mailing or simply looking for something interesting to read, we can help with all of your information needs.

### Circulation Desk

The Circulation Desk is the place to check out all books and materials. It is also the place to pick up GIL Express books and Interlibrary Loan materials. You can get great information on the My GIL

Account for monitoring your account and electronic renewal information to avoid those messy fines, fees and blocks. Your instructor may also place materials "on reserve" with the circulation desk. It is very important that you visit this desk as soon as possible with your Bobcat card to have your library account activated. Call (478) 445-4047 for more information.

### Library Catalog

The GCSU Library Catalog provides access to information resources located at the library. It can be used to search for books, audio-visual materials, music scores and various other resources.

## This summer's hottest action movies in review



BY ERIC JONES  
MOVIE REVIEWER

Welcome to war-torn America, where cyber-terrorists are causing a traffic jam in Washington while giant robots attack downtown Los Angeles. The underworld of magic suffers extinction at the hands of Voldemort while the Caribbean is in danger of becoming extremely wet.

All of this colossal mayhem in this summer's blockbuster line-up is enough to keep the common college student occupied for about as long as its on the big screen, offering only a momentary escape from the trivialities of menial summer jobs and long nights searching for the restroom at the local bar.

They are fun but, like a firecracker's pulse of light in the sky, they just do not last.

Not that fireworks over the summer are a bad thing. They definitely draw a crowd. And, like a fireworks show, no two are ever quite the same. Gore Verbinsky's third installment of the Pirates of the Caribbean series was definitely fun, wet, and wild; serving up a triple dose of the beloved Captain Jack Sparrow who has now been plastered over every girl's room in America. (I hear that Jack Sparrow posters are running two to one against modern telephones.) Frankly, I could have done without the scene where twenty Jack Sparrows run around with their shirts off trying to entice the female audience with fantasies best left up to the imagination. Crazy kids.

Although the plot was twisted and convoluted to a point where even the characters weren't sure what side they were working for, the action and

effects were explosive enough to discharge all need for motivation. It's a fun ride that nobody needs to take more than once unless you're merely wishing to admire Johnny Depp; campy portrayal for three hours straight. Keira Knightly is hardly worth the effort in her never-say-die Barbie makeup, and Orlando Bloom... well, he's Orlando Bloom.

John McLane was also ready to deliver the bullet-riddled goods in Live Free or Die Hard; a movie that's worth seeing for its title alone. As far as I can recall there was no actual dialogue in the movie. It merely began with things blowing up and Bruce Willis jumping out of the way while muttering razor sharp one-liners to inter-  
net terrorists. And it didn't stop until everyone was dead. There were mild utterances of a story in-between gunshots that was obviously stripped from a special report from a Wired magazine, but it was really only a supple-



## Library

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### GIL Universal Catalog

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## Movies

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ment to the extremely absurd and infinitely entertaining violence that saturated it.

It is hard to watch a woman get hit by an SUV at 50 miles per hour and then just be a little angered by it after the cutaway. Even the terrorists were having a hard time contemplating how stupid-difficult it was to kill anybody who was not a nameless thug. This was another film that was great upon deliver, but single serving. Watching this movie twice is like going over Niagara Falls in a barrel after you've already done it. There's no point, and really, you could get hurt.

In case you are not already seeing a pattern here, Transformers was the final big franchise to release its guns on the unwitting public, and it made a similar impression. Michael Bay plays to his strengths of creating fun, over-the-edge movies for the gamer crowd that requires no attention span whatsoever. I love these movies because I always know what I'm going to see. The Rock, Bad Boys and Armageddon are really just the same movie with different computer gener-

ated effects. And this time, the CGI geeks have really outdone themselves.

In the spirit of repeating franchises, Harry Potter: The Order of the Phoenix was released in theatres and IMAX in collusion with the final book's release, which sent children spiraling into a multi-media orgasmic Potter-induced haze. Given that this movie had the most character and plot of any major movie to release this summer, I have to endorse it as the best. However, being myself a Muggle, I have to admit a discriminatory hatred for all witches and wizards and therefore I am unsympathetic to the plight of Potter and his band of Muggle-hating friends. Goodbye Hogwarts School of Magic, may the Deceptions visit you in the night.

Although no film produced any lasting punches to the cumulative minds of America, there were some great spectacles to be witnessed in the small Milledgeville theatre. Although, if you missed any of them, rest assured that you have saved your quarters for a night when your brain is full and needs a mind-numbing ride on the McLane Train. It will be well worth it. To the rest of you, stay in the theatre.



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# Sports

The Colonnade's Guide to Athletics and Recreation

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## Bobcat soccer gearing up for '07



FILE PHOTO  
Forward Lyric Burnett (29) controls the ball as forward Hayley Ferrell (3) looks on. Burnett recorded the first and only hat trick in Bobcat soccer history last season as the Bobcats blanded Lander University 5-0.

### Soccer to Bahamas; tough '07 schedule

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The GCSU Department of Athletics and head soccer coach Robert Parr have announced the 2007 schedule for the Bobcat women's soccer program.

The schedule features nine home dates at Bobcat Field on GCSU's West Campus, six of which are coming in October. The Bobcats have five exhibition contests, thanks to a rare three-game set in the Bahamas.

The GCSU soccer team will make its first trek to the Bahamas, playing games Aug. 7-9. The trip benefits the Bobcats on many levels, helping the 13 newcomers bond with the class of returning players, playing some outstanding young competition in teams from the

College of the Bahamas, the Bahamas Select IX and Cavalier FC programs, and adding a morale boost to training camp.

After those three dates, GCSU hosts Division I Georgia Southern University Friday, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m. for another exhibition before hitting the road. Savannah College of Art and Design provides the final exhibition, leading into a three-game road stretch to start the season. Thomas University opens the regular season Saturday, Aug. 25 at 2 p.m., followed by Montevallo University the next day at 1 p.m. The Bobcats travel to the University of North Alabama Sunday, Sept. 9 at 1 p.m. before beginning the Peach Belt Conference slate at home.

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Carolina-Pembroke is the first conference victim and also the first home game for the Bobcats, Saturday, Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. A week later is the lone day-time home contest, a 2 p.m. start against non-conference foe University of Alabama-Huntsville Sept. 22. The Bobcats travel for PBC games at Lander University Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. and at Armstrong Atlantic State University Saturday, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m.

GCSU begins October at home, Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. against University of South Carolina Aiken, then has a non-conference game with Shorter College Saturday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. as well. Thursday, Oct. 11 at 4 p.m. Georgia College heads to Georgia Southwestern

State University, before returning home for another non-league game with Mars Hill College Saturday, Oct. 13 at 5 p.m.

Clayton State University provides the final road contest for the Bobcats Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m., with the final three regular-season contests coming at home.

Newberry College finishes the non-conference matches Saturday, Oct. 20 at 4 p.m., while North Georgia College & State University comes to Milledgeville Wednesday, Oct. 24 for a 7 p.m. start. The lone ranked squad of the season, returning PBC Champion and No. 22 Columbus State University finishes the regular season Saturday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. Peach Belt Tournament play begins the following week, Tuesday, Oct. 30.

### Senior Bobcats big part of young program

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

While a four-member senior class isn't particularly large for a Division II women's soccer program, the 2007 seniors for GCSU aren't your average group. The four, defender Britni Emerson, forward Jessica McGinnis, defender Alex Stover and midfielder Emily Norris have helped build this Bobcat soccer program over the past four years with their rookie seasons serving as the first varsity year of GCSU soccer. Head coach Robert Parr knows the valuable efforts these four have put forth and thinks the rest of the team knows it as well.

"The seniors feel it and so do the players coming in behind them," Parr said. "It's been a lot of work to get the program to this point and those four seniors have been a key part in us getting there."

The Bobcats have a tough 15-match regular season slate that Parr hopes will warrant a third trip to the Peach Belt Conference (PBC) Tournament and some postseason wins.

## The Season PASS



by Corey Dickstein

### The three big questions about GCSU athletics

So you are new to GCSU and you have a few questions about the schools athletics program. Well, I am here to answer three of the most common questions about Bobcat athletics.

Question number one: Do we have a football team?

Answer: No, we do not have a football team. And no, we are not getting a football team anytime soon. But really, why do we need a football team? We have 10 excellent varsity athletics programs. A football team would take entirely too long to build, cost too much money, and dare I ask where the team would play?

Question number two: So you say we have a strong athletics program, how strong is it?

Answer: Very, very strong. GCSU teams compete in the Peach Belt Conference of the NCAA's Division II. As a person who has watched quite a bit of college sports, and I mean I am nearly obsessed, I feel like I am qualified to say that the PBC is one of the most competitive conferences in the nation in all of the sports GCSU competes in. In fact since the PBC's first year of competition, 1991-1992, the conference has accounted for 24 various national championships.

I told you that to tell you how competitive GCSU's teams are in the conference.

GCSU teams win, alot. The Baseball team is the two time defending PBC champion, both basketball squads are contenders each year, the tennis teams both finished ranked in the top 20 nationally last season, golf has mustered 10 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances and ended last year with a No. 7 national ranking. These teams are good.

Final question: Okay, so the teams are good, but how much does it cost to go watch them play?

Answer: This is the best part of GCSU athletics. It costs you nothing to attend athletic events. It is one of the few fun things to do around this town that does not considerably lighten your wallet. And we know that as a college student you don't have that much money anyways.

So get out there and support you Bobcats. They are good, but your support makes them even better.

## GCSU athletics announce fall 2007 schedules

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The GCSU Department of Athletics has announced the fall 2007 schedules for men's and women's cross country, men's and women's tennis and golf.

### Cross country

The cross country schedules feature six regular season dates, including two dates where just one of the harrier squads will be sent.

Both teams hear their first starting pistol Sept. 1 at the North Georgia College Invitational. The women then take the next week off, while the men travel to Hanover, N.H. for the Dartmouth College Invitational Sept. 8.

Both teams travel to Georgia State Sept. 15 and Augusta State Sept. 22 before competing in the Georgia Collegiate Championships in Macon, Ga. Sept. 29. The women make the trip to Arizona State Oct. 6, while the Tiger Twilight Invitational

will see both teams Oct. 12, wrapping up the regular season.

The Peach Belt Conference (PBC) Championship takes place at Augusta Oct. 20, as the men and women will look to improve upon their runner-up and fifth-place finishes in 2006, respectively. The NCAA Southeast Region Championship is Nov. 3 and Nationals will be Nov. 17.

### Tennis

The tennis schedules feature four tournaments, two of which where both teams will compete.

The men unload their first serves Sept. 14-16 in the annual GCSU Men's Fall Tournament at the Centennial Center Tennis Facility.

The women join the men Sept. 21-23 at the ITA Mid-Atlantic Regional Tournament in Savannah, Ga. The Bobcat women have their chance Sept. 28-30 at the GCSU Women's

Fall Tournament in Milledgeville, and the abbreviated schedule comes to a close Oct. 5-7 at the Chick-Fil-A Collegiate Championships in Augusta, Ga.

### Golf

The golf schedule features four tournaments, all similar to last season's schedule.

The Bobcats tee it up at the Kiawah Island Invitational Sept. 10-11, in Kiawah, S.C. where they finished 10th last year. Next comes the Raines Development Group Intercollegiate in Florence S.C., Sept. 17-18. GCSU rounds out the month of September at the Coker College Invitational from Sept. 24-25 and finishes their schedule at the Cougar Invitational Oct. 1-2. The Bobcats took second at this event last season, initiating a successful run that finished in the NCAA Division II Championship Tournament.

### Key dates for fall Bobcat athletics

Cross Country	Tennis
Sept 8. Men compete at Dartmouth	Sept. 14-16 GCSU Men's Fall Tourn.
Oct. 6. Women travel to Tempe, Arizona	Sept. 28-30 GCSU Women's Fall Tourn.
	
Golf	Soccer
Sept. 10-11 Kiawah Island Invitational	Aug. 17 vs. Ga Southern (Exhibition)
Sept. 17-18 Raines Development Group Intercollegiate	Sept. 15 vs. USC Pembroke
Sept. 24-25 Coker College Invit.	Sept. 29 @ AASU
Oct. 1-2 Cougar Invit	Oct. 3 vs. USC Aiken
	Oct. 27 vs. Columbus St.

## THE SHORT STOP



### Upcoming Sports

#### Soccer:

Aug. 17	7 p.m.	GA Southwest
Aug. 19	6 p.m.	@ SCAD
Aug. 25	2 p.m.	@ Thomas
Aug. 26	1 p.m.	@ Montevallo

### Quote of the Week

"While it is for the criminal justice system to determine your guilt or innocence, it is my responsibility as commissioner of the National Football League to determine whether your conduct, even if not criminal, nonetheless violated league policies, including the personal conduct policy."

-Roger Goodell, NFL Commissioner

### STAT of the WEEK

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Number of varsity sports at GCSU that you should come out and support this year.



# 2006-2007 Bobcat athletics year in review

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

In what has become a school tradition, the GCSU athletics teams continued to win in 2006-2007. The 10 varsity teams compete in the Peach Belt Conference (PBC) of Division II, one of the most competitive conferences in the nation.

2006-2007 saw 16 Bobcat athletes named to All-Conference squads and five awarded with All-American honors. Bobcat athletics took home one conference championship and competed in six NCAA regional tournaments.

## Women's Soccer

The Bobcats ended the third varsity season with a 6-7-4 mark last year. The team ended their regular season on a high note with a win over Thomas University before falling in the first round of the PBC Tournament.

## Golf

The GCSU golf team found themselves headed to their tenth straight NCAA tournament where they placed sixth. Senior Johan Cronvall was named to the PBC All-Conference team, and freshman Niclas Johansson was awarded with an All-American selection. The Bobcats finished the year ranked No. 7.



FILE PHOTO

Johan Cronvall lead the Bobcat golf team to a No. 7 national ranking at the end of the spring 2007 season. Cronvall was named to the PBC All-Conference team.

## Men's Basketball

Finishing with a 19-10 overall record and an 8-8 mark in the PBC, the men were lead by all-conference center Aaron Clark.



FILE PHOTO

The Bobcat men's basketball team went through a rebuilding year in 2006-2007, but still managed a 19-10 record.

## Women's Basketball

The Lady Bobcats fought right to the end of their season. An overtime 66-65 loss to Clayton State University ended their season in the South Atlantic Regional Final. The Lady Bobcats Marquita Driskell was named to the PBC All-Conference team guiding them to a 22-10 overall record and a post of 10-6 in the PBC.

## Men's Tennis

The GCSU men's tennis team enjoyed another successful season in which they found themselves ranked among the top 20 teams in Division II. Erick Siqueira, a red shirt junior, was named to the PBC All-Conference team for singles. Rodrigo Yamauti joined him on the all-conference squad for doubles. The team posted a 15-10 record and finished fourth in the PBC.

## Women's Tennis

13 straight NCAA Tournament appearances sums up the success of GCSU's women's tennis. Celine Martin and Marjorie Ceppo were named to the All-Conference team for doubles. Martin was also honored for her singles performance. The women went 20-8 on the season and finished ranked No. 9 in Division II.

## Men's and Women's Cross Country

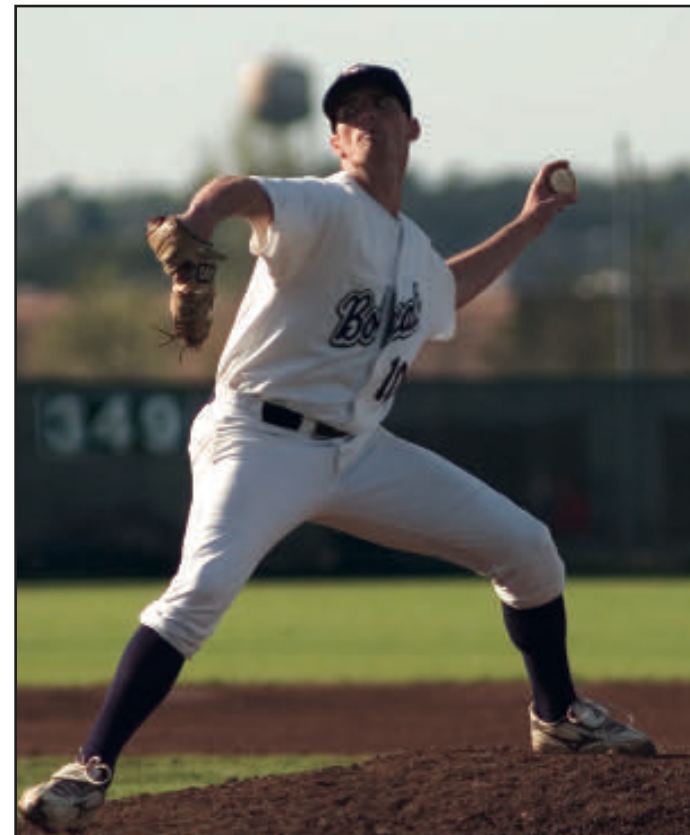
Each team saw its share of success lead by all-conference honoree Richard Dobson who set a school record time in the PBC Cross Country Championships.

## Softball

The GCSU softball team entered the season with high expectations coming off their 2006 PBC championship. While they could not defend their title, the season was successful. Their 35-21 mark, including 13 wins in the PBC, was good enough to place them third in the conference. Third baseman Keidra Baitey was honored with an All-Conference nod and an All-American selection.

## Baseball

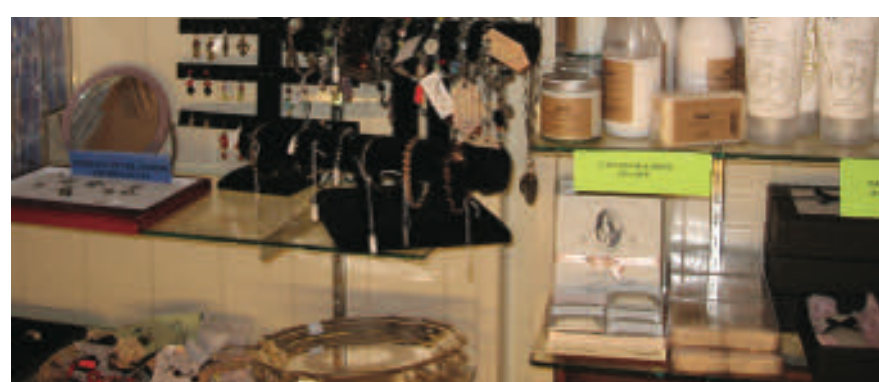
GCSU baseball has truly established itself as a national force in Division II baseball. The Bobcats posted a 46-16 mark including a 23-7 PBC record and their second straight conference championship. Outfielder Justin Mills was named PBC player of the year as well as being selected to the All-Conference team and All-American team. Mills was joined by four of his teammates on the All-conference team. Four Bobcats were also named to the All-region team. The Bobcats ended the season ranked No. 13 after being picked No. 1 in the preseason poll.



FILE PHOTO

The Bobcat baseball team defended their PBC title in 2007, with a 46-14 record. Five players earned All-Conference selections and OF Justin Mills was named PBC Player of the Year.

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